

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) ~~Means for~~ A system for transferring an electronic receipt point of sale data for each item purchased in a transaction from a point of sale location to a ~~predetermined~~ remote computer using a receipt card having an account number encoded thereon comprising ~~the steps of~~:
  - a. means for ~~entering~~ receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ identifying an item purchased and a purchase price;
  - b. means for ~~entering/recording~~ generating applicable unique transaction identification information;
  - c. means for ~~entering~~ receiving a receipt card account number;
  - d. means for ~~entering~~ determining a remote computer based on the received receipt card account number identification;
  - e. means for establishing a communications link with the remote computer; and
  - f. means for transmitting ~~the receipt card account transaction data~~ the electronic receipt including said point of sale data, said receipt card account number, and said unique transaction identification information to the remote computer.
2. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means ~~of for~~ entering receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ includes a scanner configured to scan said item scanning.
3. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means ~~of for~~ entering receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ includes means for processing said point of sale data in an processing of Internet online purchase[[s]].
4. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means ~~of for~~ entering receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ includes means for processing of at least one telephone purchase[[s]] utilizing the Public Switched Telephone Network.

5. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means ~~of for~~ entering receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ includes means for recording and formatting a line item list ~~processing of any means whereby the line item transaction data can be recorded and formatted~~ for transmission to ~~[[a]]~~ the remote computer.

6. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means of ~~entering/recording~~ generating applicable unique transaction identification information includes means for processing generating applicable unique transaction identification information including information selected from a group of information consisting of an identity of the retailer ~~of retailer identification~~, a transaction number, a gross amount, a sales tax~~[[es]]~~, ~~other charges~~, the date, and the time.

7. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means ~~of~~ entering for receiving the receipt card account number includes ~~processing the receipt card through~~ a card reader.

8. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means ~~of~~ entering for receiving the receipt card account number includes means for ~~processing for~~ transmitting said account number via the Internet.

9. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means ~~of~~ entering for receiving the receipt card account number includes means for ~~processing for~~ transmitting said account number via ~~telephone using~~ the Public Switched Telephone Network.

10. (Currently amended) The ~~means~~ system of claim 1 wherein said means ~~of~~ entering for receiving the receipt card account number includes means for recording and formatting said receipt card account number ~~processing for any means whereby the receipt card account number can be recorded and formatted~~ for transmission to ~~[[a]]~~ the remote computer.

11. (Currently amended) The ~~means system~~ of claim 1 wherein said means of ~~entering for determining~~ the remote computer ~~information~~ includes means for reading the identity of the remote computer off of the receipt card via a card reader. ~~means for swiping the receipt card having the remote computer identification encoded thereon through a card reader.~~

12. (Currently amended) The ~~means system~~ of claim 1 wherein said means of ~~entering for determining~~ the remote computer ~~address~~ includes means for reading a routing code that identifies the remote computer of said receipt card. ~~transmitting said remote computer identification via the Internet.~~

13. (Currently amended) The ~~means system~~ of claim 1 wherein said means of ~~entering for determining~~ the remote computer ~~address~~ includes means for ~~transmitting~~ selecting a remote computer's identity from a plurality of remote computer identities. ~~said remote computer identification via telephone using the Public Switched Telephone Network.~~

14. (Currently amended) The means of claim 1 wherein said ~~means system~~ of ~~entering for determining~~ the remote computer ~~address~~ includes means for recording and formatting said identity of the remote computer ~~processing for any means whereby the remote computer identification can be recorded and formatted~~ for transmission to ~~[[a]]~~ the remote computer.

15. (Currently amended) A method of transferring an electronic receipt ~~point of sale data for each item purchased in a transaction~~ from a point of sale location to a ~~predetermined~~ remote computer using a receipt card having an account number embossed thereon comprising ~~the steps of:~~

- a. ~~entering~~ receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ identifying an item purchased and a purchase price;
- b. ~~entering/recording~~ generating applicable unique transaction identification information;
- c. ~~entering~~ receiving a receipt card account number ~~account number~~ including a routing code associated with the receipt card;
- d. ~~entering~~ determining a remote computer based on the routing code ~~address;~~

e. establishing a communications link with the remote computer; and  
f. transmitting the electronic receipt including said point of sale data, said receipt card account number, and said unique transaction identification information to receipt card account transaction data to the remote computer.

16. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of receiving entering point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ includes scanning a UPC barcode.

17. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ includes processing said point of sale data in an online purchase[[s]] via the Internet.

18. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ includes processing a telephone purchase[[s]] utilizing via the Public Switched Telephone Network.

19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ receiving point of sale data ~~into a local terminal~~ includes recording and formatting line item transaction data can be any means whereby the line item transaction data can be recorded and formatted for transmission to [[a]] the remote computer.

20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering/recording~~ generating applicable unique transaction identification information including information selected from a group of information consisting of an identity of the retailer applicable unique transaction identification information includes retailer identification, a transaction number, a gross amount, a sales tax[[es]], other charges, the date, and the time.

21. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ receiving the receipt card account number includes reading the receipt card account number off of the receipt card via a swiping said receipt card through a card reader.

22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of receiving ~~entering~~ the receipt card account number includes transmitting information identifying said account number via the Internet.

23. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of receiving ~~entering~~ the receipt card account number includes transmitting said account number via telephone using the Public Switched Telephone Network.

24. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ receiving the receipt card account number includes recording and formatting said receipt card account number for any means whereby the receipt card account number can be recorded and formatted for transmission to ~~[[a]]~~ the remote computer.

25. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ determining the remote computer ~~address~~ includes reading the identity of the remote computer off of the receipt card via a card reader ~~swiping the receipt card having the remote computer identification encoded thereon through a card reader.~~

26. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ determining the remote computer ~~address~~ includes reading an address of a selected remote computer off of said receipt card ~~transmitting said remote computer identification via the Internet.~~

27. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ determining the remote computer ~~address~~ includes selecting the identity of the remote computer from a plurality of remote computer identities ~~transmitting said remote computer identification via telephone using the Public Switched Telephone Network.~~

28. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said method of ~~entering~~ determining the remote computer ~~address~~ includes recording and formatting said identity of the remote computer ~~any means whereby the remote computer identification can be recorded and formatted~~ for transmission to a remote computer.

29. (Canceled)

30. (Canceled)

31. (New) A method of storing receipts comprising:

maintaining a database of electronic receipts, each receipt associated with a receipt card account number, said receipt including a list of items purchased during a transaction and unique transaction identification information;

receiving a request to view a specific electronic receipt associated with a specific receipt card account number from a remote device; and

transmitting information indicative of said specific electronic receipt to said remote device.

32. (New) The method of claim 31 wherein said receiving a request to view a specific electronic receipt from a remote device further comprises:

receiving a request to view said specific electronic receipt from a computer system located at a business.

33. (New) The method of claim 31 wherein said receiving a request to view a specific electronic receipt from a remote device further comprises:

receiving a request to view said specific electronic receipt from a customer's computer system.

34. (New) The method of claim 31 wherein said unique transaction identification information further comprises:

the identity of the retailer who participated in said transaction, a transaction number, a gross amount, a sales tax, the date of said transaction, and the time of said transaction.